

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF  
JONATHAN HUGHES ET AL.  
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP 04/013251  
FILED: November 22, 2004  
FOR: PROCESS FOR PREPARING  
    UNSATURATED AMIDES AND  
    CARBOXYLIC ACIDS  
U.S. APPLICATION NO: 10/580,445  
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Group Art Unit: 1657  
Examiner: Vera Afremova

Commissioner for Patents

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**GROUP ART UNIT 1657**

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed within the shortened statutory period for response to the Final Rejection mailed on April 29, 2009.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the amendments even though after Final. The amendments incorporate suggestions by the examiner which examiner has noted would lead to allowance.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee due, or credit any overcharge, as a result of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.